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by deleting Section 1 and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-1-130(d), is amended by designating the current language of the subsection as subdivision “(d)(1)” and by adding the following new language, to be designated as subdivision “(d)(2)”:

(2) Beginning in fiscal year 1997-1998, the average rate of payment offered by the department for day care services in urban counties shall be increased to a level which is not less than the eightiethth percentile of the most recent market rate study conducted by the department in urban counties, and the average rate of payment offered by the department for day care services in rural counties shall be increased to a level which is not less than the eighttieth percentile of the most recent market rate study conducted by the department in rural counties; provided, however, in order to qualify for receipt of such increased rate of payment, a child care center shall meet or exceed the following adult:child ratios:

<u>AGE GROUP</u>	<u>ADULT:CHILD RATIO</u>
Infants	1:4
Toddlers	1:6
Two years	1:7
Three years	1:9
Four years	1:13
Five years	1:16

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Kindergarten and above 1:20.

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